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## CHAPTER 26

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- 3 —In paragraph 6 of that Schedule— (a) the reference to...
- 4 —The reference in paragraph 20(2) of that Schedule to the...
- 5 —In paragraph 29 of that Schedule— (a) sub-paragraph (1)(a) shall...

## The Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1963 (c.51)

- 6 —Any reference to the date of service of a notice...
- 7 —Section 25(2) shall be treated as if for the words...
- 8 —In section 30— (a) subsection (2) shall be treated as...

- 9 —Any reference to a notice to treat in section 45(2)...
- 10 —In Schedule 2, paragraph 2(1)(a) shall be treated as if...

## SCHEDULE 6A —

## Disposals to which this Schedule applies

1 (1) This Schedule applies to the disposal by a local...

Application for Secretary of State's consent

2 (1) The Secretary of State shall not entertain an application...

Requirements as to consultation

3 (1) The requirements as to consultation referred to above are...

## Power to require further consultation

4 The Secretary of State may require the local authority to...

Consent to be withheld if majority of tenants are opposed

5 (1) The Secretary of State shall not give his consent...

## Protection of purchasers

6 The Secretary of State's consent to a disposal is not...

SCHEDULE 7 —

PART I — CONSENT TO DEMOLITION OF LISTED BUILDINGS IN HOUSING ACTION AREAS, ETC.

Buildings subject to compulsory purchase orders for demolition subsequently listed

1 (1) In this paragraph, references to a compulsory purchase order...

Buildings acquired by agreement for demolition subsequently listed

2 (1) Where Part IV applies to a building purchased by... PART II — REHABILITATION ORDERS

Application and effect of rehabilitation orders

3 (1) This Part of this Schedule applies to any house...

## Miscellaneous provisions relative to rehabilitation orders

- 4 —Where the owner of a house to which this Part...
- 5 —Where a local authority have made a rehabilitation order they...
- 6 (1) Where— (a) land included in a compulsory purchase order,...
- 7 —A rehabilitation order may be made and confirmed notwithstanding that...

## Procedure for making and confirming rehabilitation orders

- 8 —A rehabilitation order shall be made in the prescribed form...
- 9 (1) Before submitting a rehabilitation order to the Secretary of...

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- 10 (1) If no objection is duly made by any of...
- 11 Paragraphs 6, 15 and 16 of Schedule 1 to the...

#### Interpretation of this Part of this Schedule

12 —In this Part of this Schedule, unless the context otherwise... PART III — APPLICATION OF ENACTMENTS RELATING TO COMPENSATION ON COMPULSORY PURCHASE, ETC., TO CASES UNDER PART I OR PART II OF THIS SCHEDULE

## Compensation

## 13 (1) Where, under Part I or II of this Schedule,...

Extension of time limits for exercising powers under certain compulsory purchase orders

14 —In section 116 of the Lands Clauses Consolidation (Scotland) Act...

## SCHEDULE 8 — PART I — HOUSING ACTION AREAS

## Procedure after publication of draft resolution

- 1 (1) The local authority shall have regard to any representations...
- 2 —Any notice authorised or required to be sent to any...
  - PART II POWERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITY IN RELATION TO

## ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR HOUSING ACTION AREAS

3 (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (2), where a...

#### Land adjoining housing action area

4 —Where a local authority determine to acquire any land comprised...

Further provisions relating to acquisition of land

5 (1) In so far as a resolution passed under section...

## Land belonging to local authority

6 (1) A local authority may include in a housing action...

Local authority may take possession of land

7 —Section 11 (which provides that a local authority may take...

## Local authority may sell or lease land

8 —A local authority who have under Part IV or this...

Extinction of rights of way servitudes, etc.

9 (1) A local authority may, with the approval of the...

## *Provisions as to apparatus of public undertakers*

10 (1) Where the removal or alteration of apparatus belonging to...

#### Saving for telecommunication apparatus, etc.

- 11 (1) Paragraph 23 of the electronic communications code (which provides...
  - PART III COMPENSATION IN RESPECT OF LAND ACQUIRED COMPULSORILY
- 12 (1) Where land is purchased compulsorily by a local authority... PART IV — ADJUSTMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN LESSORS AND LESSEES OF AGRICULTURAL HOLDINGS, ETC.
- 13 (1) Section 15 of the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Act 1991...

## SCHEDULE 9 — RECOVERY OF EXPENSES BY CHARGING ORDER

- 1 —Where under sections 108(3), 131(2) and 164(4) a local authority...
- 2 —The annuity charged shall be such sum not exceeding such...
- 3 —A charging order shall be in such form as may...
- 4 —Every annuity constituting a charge by a charging order duly...
- 5 —A charging order duly recorded in the General Register of...
- 6 —Every annuity charged by a charging order may be recovered...
- 7 —A charging order and all sums payable thereunder may be...
- 8 —Any owner of, or other person interested in, premises on...

## SCHEDULE 10 — LANDLORD'S REPAIRING OBLIGATIONS

## Obligations to repair

1 (1) This paragraph applies to any contract (whether entered into...

## Application of paragraph 1 to houses occupied by agricultural workers otherwise than as tenants

2 —Notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary, where under any contract...

## Repairing obligations in short leases of houses

3 (1) In any lease of a house, being a lease...

## Application of paragraph 3

4 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, paragraph 3...

## Restriction on contracting out

5 (1) The sheriff may, on the application of either party...

## SCHEDULE 11 — HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION: CONTROL ORDERS PART I — MANAGEMENT SCHEMES

1 (1) A management scheme shall give particulars of all works...

## Recovery by local authority of capital expenditure

- 2 (1) Account shall be kept by the local authority for... PART II — APPEAL AND REVIEW
- 3 (1) Within 6 weeks from the date on which a...
- 4 (1) Without prejudice to the right of appeal against a...
- 5 (1) If a local authority refuse an application to revoke...

6 (1) A sheriff who revokes a control order on appeal...

Powers of court to restrict recovery of possession

7 (1) The provisions of this paragraph apply where— PART III — CONSEQUENCES OF CESSATION OF CONTROL ORDER

Transfer of landlord's interest in tenancies and agreements

8 (1) On and after the date on which the control...

Cases where leases have been modified while control order was in force

9 —If under section 185 the sheriff modifies or determines a...

#### Interpretation

- 10 —References in this Part of this Schedule to the control... PART IV — RECOVERY OF EXPENSES BY LOCAL AUTHORITY EXECUTING WORKS UNDER SECTION 164
- 11 (1) Sections 108(6) (exercise of power of local authority to...

## SCHEDULE 12 — TERMINATION OF EXCHEQUER PAYMENTS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND CERTAIN PERIODICAL PAYMENTS TO OTHER PERSONS

- 1 (1) No payment shall be made— (a) for the year...
- 2 Table
  - Part I PAYMENTS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES
  - Part II PAYMENTS TO THE SCOTTISH SPECIAL HOUSING ASSOCIATION AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATIONS

Part III — . . .

- SCHEDULE 13 ENACTMENTS SPECIFYING EXCHEQUER CONTRIBUTIONS
- SCHEDULE 14 ENACTMENTS SPECIFYING EXCHEQUER CONTRIBUTIONS THAT MAY BE REDUCED, SUSPENDED OR DISCONTINUED
- SCHEDULE 15 THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT PART I — APPLICATION OF ACCOUNT
- 1 (1) The houses, buildings and land specified for the purposes... PART II — OPERATION OF ACCOUNT

## Credits

2 (1) For each year a local authority shall carry to...

## Debits

- 3 —Subject to paragraph 4 of this Schedule, for each year...
- 4 —A local authority shall not debit to the housing revenue...

## Provision of welfare services

4A Where in any year a local authority provide welfare services...

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## Supplemental

- 5 —Any requirement of this Schedule as respects any amount to...
- 6 —A local authority may, with the consent of the Secretary...
- 7 —Where it appears to the Secretary of State that amounts...
- 8 —The Secretary of State may direct that items of income...
- 9 (1) If at any time a credit balance is shown...
- 10 —References in this Schedule to houses and other property to...

## SCHEDULE 16 — THE SLUM CLEARANCE REVENUE ACCOUNT

## Credits

- 1 —For each year a local authority shall carry to the...
- 2 —Where for any year a deficit is shown in the...

#### Debits

3 —For each year a local authority shall debit to the...

## Supplemental

- 4 —Any surplus shown in a slum clearance revenue account at...
- 5 —A local authority may, with the consent of the Secretary...
- 6 —The Secretary of State may direct that items of income...

## SCHEDULE 17 — CONDITIONS RELATING TO HOUSE LOANS

- 1 —The provisions of this Schedule shall have effect with respect...
- 2 —The advance, together with interest thereon, shall be secured by...
- 3 —The amount of the principal of the advance shall not...
- 4 —The heritable security shall provide for repayment of the principal —...
- 5 —It shall also provide for the payment of instalments of...
- 6 —In the event of any of the conditions subject to...
- 7 —That balance may in any event be repaid at any...
- 8 —Where the advance is for any of the purposes specified...
- 9 —The advance shall not be made except after a valuation...
- 10 —No advance shall be made unless the estate or interest...
- 11 —In this Schedule, any reference, in relation to an advance,...

## SCHEDULE 18 — STANDARD AMENITIES

PART I — LIST OF AMENITIES AND MAXIMUM ELIGIBLE AMOUNTS

# PART II — LIMIT ON AMOUNT OF APPROVED EXPENSES FOR STANDARD AMENITIES

- 1 .....

- 4 .....

## SCHEDULE 19 — CONSEQUENCES OF BREACH OF CONDITIONS OF IMPROVEMENT GRANT

- 1 —Subject to paragraphs 4 and 5, the local authority shall...
- 2 —If the local authority are satisfied that the breach of...

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- 3 —If the local authority are satisfied that the breach although...
- 4 —Upon the satisfaction of a liability of an owner of...
- 5 —On the application of the local authority, the sheriff within...
- 6 (1) In any case where in pursuance of paragraph 4,...
- 7 —In the event of a breach of any of the...
- 8 —In this Schedule, "interest" means compound interest calculated at such...

## SCHEDULE 20 — ASSISTANCE BY WAY OF REPURCHASE PART I — THE AGREEMENT TO REPURCHASE

## *The interest to be acquired*

1 In this Schedule, "the interest to be acquired" means the...

## Request for notice of proposed terms of acquisition

2 —A person who is entitled to assistance by way of...

## Authority's notice of proposed terms

3 —The purchasing authority shall, within the period of three months...

## Unreasonable terms

4 —Where an offer to purchase is served on the person...

## Appeal

5 —A person so entitled who is aggrieved by the refusal...

#### *Notice of acceptance*

6 —The person so entitled may at any time within the...

#### Extensions

7 —The authority shall, if there are reasonable grounds for doing...

#### Interest acquired to be treated as if acquired under Part I

8 —An interest acquired by a local authority under this Part... PART II — PRICE PAYABLE AND VALUATION

#### The price

9 (1) The price payable for the acquisition of an interest...

## The value

10 (1) For the purposes of this Schedule, the value of...

#### Determination of value

11 (1) Any question arising under this Schedule as to the...

## Certain grant conditions cease to have effect

12 —Where the interest to be acquired is or includes a...

# SCHEDULE 21 — DWELLINGS INCLUDED IN MORE THAN ONE DESIGNATION

## Introductory

1 —This Schedule applies in relation to a defective dwelling where...

## Cases in which later designation to be disregarded

2 —Where a person is already eligible for assistance in respect...

## In other cases any applicable designation may be relied on

3 —Where a person is eligible for assistance in respect of...

## Procedure to be followed where later designation comes into operation

- 4 —The following provisions of this Schedule apply where—
- 5 (1) The local authority shall, as soon as reasonably practicable,...
- 6 (1) This paragraph applies where it appears to the authority...
- 7 (1) This paragraph applies where a person entitled to assistance...

## SCHEDULE 22 — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS PART I — TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

## General

- 1 —The re-enactment of provisions in, and the consequent repeal of...
- 2 —In so far as— (a) any requirement, prohibition, determination, order...
- 3 —Where any enactment passed before this Act, or any instrument...
- 4 —Where any period of time specified in any enactment repealed...
- 5 (1) The general rule is that the provisions of this...

## Persons holding office

6 —Any person who at the commencement of this Act is...

Security of tenure of tenants of regional councils, etc.

7 —Notwithstanding the repeal by this Act of section 16(2) and... PART II — SAVINGS

## General saving for old transitional provisions

8 —The repeal by this Act of a provision relating to...

## General saving for old savings

9 (1) The repeal by this Act of an enactment previously...

Transfers under section 14 of the Housing (Homeless Persons) Act 1977

10 (1) The repeal by this Act of section 14 of...

Use of existing forms, etc.

11 —Any document made, served or issued on or after this...

Secure tenant: reimbursement of cost of work done before 3rd October 1980 12 —The repeal of section 24(1) of the Tenants' Rights, Etc... Contributions under sections 106 and 121 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1950 (c.34) and section 14 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1962 (c.28) -Contributions remain payable by the Secretary of State under 13 sections... SCHEDULE 23 — MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS General -Any reference in any previous enactment to "standard amenities" as... 1 2 -Any reference in any previous enactment to "tolerable standard" as... The Crofters Holdings (Scotland) Act 1886 (c. 29) 3 -In the Schedule, in paragraph 1A, for the words "Part... The Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907 (c. 51) 4 -In the Sheriff Courts (Scotland) Act 1907, after section 38... The Crofters (Scotland) Act 1955 (c. 21) 5 -In Schedule 5, in paragraph 1A, for the words "Part... The Clean Air Act 1956 (c. 52) 6 . The Coal Mining (Subsidence) Act 1957 (c. 59) 7 (1) In section 1(4) (duty of Board in respect of... The Building (Scotland) Act 1959 (c. 24) —In the Sixth Schedule, in paragraph 4(b)(ii), for the words... 8 The Pipe-lines Act 1962 (c. 58) -In section 30(2), for the words "181", "1966" and "Part... 9 The Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1963 (c. 51) 10 (1) In section 15(7), for paragraph (d) substitute the following... The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1966 (c.51) 11 —In section 46(1) (general interpretation), in the definition of "housing... The National Loans Act 1968 (c.13) -In Schedule 4, for the words "78" and "1950" substitute... 12

	The New Towns (Scotland) Act 1968 (c.16)
13	(1) In section 6, subsection (6) shall cease to have
	The Clean Air Act 1968 (c.62)
14	
	The Post Office Act 1969 (c.48)
15	—In Schedule 4— (a) in paragraph 83(1), for "II of
	The Local Authority Social Services Act 1970 (c.42)
16	—In Schedule 1, at the end insert in column 1
	The Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970 (c.44)
17	—In section 3(2), for the words "VII", "1966" and "137"
	The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1972 (c.52)
18	
	The Land Compensation (Scotland) Act 1973 (c.56)
19	(1) In section 27(1)(f), for the words "15(2) of the
	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (c.65)
20	(1) In section 130— (a) in subsection (1), for the
	Consumer Credit Act 1974 (c.37)
21	—In section $16(1)(ff)$ , for the words "2 of the 1978
	Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Act 1974 (c.38)
22	—In section 8(7), for the words "Tenants' Rights, Etc (Scotland)
	Local Government (Scotland) Act 1975 (c.30)
23	
	The National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978 (c.29)
24	—In section $100(1)$ — (a) in paragraph (a), for the words
	The Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 (c.65)
25	(1) In section 152(1)(c), for the words "1 of the
	The Matrimonial Homes (Family Protection) (Scotland) Act 1981 (c.59)
26	—In section 13(11), for the words "the Tenants' Rights, Etc
<b>-</b>	The Local Government and Planning (Scotland) Act 1982 (c.43)
27	—In section 24(2), for the words " $32(1)(b)$ of the Housing

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The Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 (c.45)

28 (1) In section 87(5), for the words "Part II of...

The Rent (Scotland) Act 1984 (c.58)

29 (1) In section 5(5), for the words "5 of the...

The Housing Act 1985 (c.68)

30 (1) In section 76— (a) in subsection (1)(a), for the...

The Housing Associations Act 1985 (c.69)

31 (1) In section 8(1), for the words "Part I of...

## Airports Act 1986 (c.31)

32 —In Schedule 2, paragraph 4, for the words "56" and...

## SCHEDULE 24 — REPEALS

- 1 The following abbreviations are used in this Table: Acts of...
- 2 The Table does not show the effect of Transfer of...
- 3 The letter R followed by a number indicates that the...
- 4 The entry "drafting" indicates a provision of a mechanical or...

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